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Passenger and Freight-carrying Version of the Lincoln with Bristol Theseus Turboprops

LITTLE publicity has attended the introduction into Transport Command service of two Avro Lincolns, each powered with two Bristol Theseus turboprops and two Rolls-Royce Merlin piston engines. The first of these is the subject of the accompanying photographs. Note that the tail turret has been eliminated and that the interior has been cleverly adapted for freight stowage and passenger accommodation. Though the employment of a much greater number of Theseus-Lincolns, with a view to accumulating mass experience with turboprops, could be wished for, the two machines allocated to the R.A.F. should provide the answers to many operational problems.

The general appearance of the Transport Command version of the Theseus-Lincoln is conveyed by the uppermost view (Theseus cowling removed). On the right are the passengers' quarters, lower right, freight stowage, and below, the cockpit, with the Theseus dials concentrated on one panel.

